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dence showing these transactions, most of which was signed by John M. Hall, vice-president of the New Haven, no great respect was shown for the Meriden, Waterbury & Connecticut, which he described as so run down that the best disposition that could be made of it was to wipe it out, although, he said, it could be run electrically at a profit, if it could be got cheaply enough.

With this, as with other transactions, it was testified, the purchase was carried on secretly, payment being made by check that would not reveal the New Haven as being the real purchaser. One letter put in evidence, dated May 26, 1896, was from Mr. Hall to A. Heaton Robertson, one of the defendants, the nominal buyer of the New Hall vice-president of the New Hal

He wrote:
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May 30, which will be next Sat-

"I hesitate to break into the quiet of your vacation with business matters," he wrote, "but the question involves one of policy, as it seems to me, impolant for us to settle before it drifts into politics and gets into a position to do us considerable damage in the next Legislature by alienating people who are naturally our friends, when, I think, by a little foresight we might avoid all unpleasant questions involved in the matter.

Public Soon to Know.

"I am referring to the present position of the Meriden, Waterbury & Connecticut Railroad. Judge Robertson was the nominal purchaser, and to a certain extent the public believe that he is the owner, or represents a syndicate. This position, now, can't continue long, and the actual ownership will have to be revealed before a great stockholders of the exhaustive investigation that had been made of the evidence that could be used in restitution suits, and he declared for at least five years. The reasons for this, he said, were that the company needed the money for improvements, as the physical equipment of the road was not sufficient at the present time to take care of its business.

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FEARED, TOO, CLAMOR BEFORE LEGISLATURE

Purchase of Meridea Road by Judge Robertson a Cause of Worry.

While, either in the courts or in the Legislature.

"A large number of people in Meriden especially and a considerable number in Waterbury are clamoring that something should be done by somebody to operate that road. I am confident that if something is not done with this road we shall find in the next Legislature trouble on account of this matter and steps will be taken to force some-body to operate it, or a disagreeable question raised about taxation and its evasion last year and this, and I believe it is best for us to avoid all these questions if possible by doing someting with the railroad.

"It is expensive to keep it as it is, and it seems too valuable a proposition to abandon entirely, even if we have a right to abandon it. It seems also to have a value for electrical purposes, as you will notice by the letters (attached) to Judge Robertson, coming from people who are really in carnest in desiring to purchase it.

"It does not seem as if the New Haven railroad could afford to give up this property to electric competition. I am confident that if we abandon its electrification the old roadbed will be quickly gobbled up by other parties who will equip it with electricity.

Could Give "infrequent Service."

Could Give "infrequent Service."

The story of how one after another the lambs of New England railroading went down the throat of the New Haven lion was told yesterday at the trial of the eleven past and present directors before Judge Hunt in the Federal Court. First went the New England, the New Haven's chief rival; then the Rhode Island & Massachusetts, and finally the tenderest lamb this."

Could Give "Infrequent Service."

"It seems to me that we could operate it with a very light, infrequent service without costing us a great deal, and still retain ownership and possession of the property and await future developments. Now, I should like very much to know what you would recommend, and come to you first, intending then to ask advice of Mr. Bishop and a few other Connecticut directors whose opinion ought to control a matter like

of them all, the little Meriden, Water-bury & Connecticut. This last one, however, caused a slight attack of indigection.

In the correspondence put in evidence showing these transactions, most of which was signed by John M. Hall.

This."

After the reading of this letter, which Charles S. Mellen had identified by the Signature, Frank M. Swacker, government counsel, asked him: "Is it true that you started your duties with the New Haven by the institution of a suit against the Meriden, Waterbury & Connecticut?"

"It is." Mellen replied

Meriden. Waterbury & Connecticut.
Mr. Hall, vice-president of the New Haven, is seen offering to give Robertaon transportation on Robertson's own road. He wrote:

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suits, and he declared that in his judg-ment it would be a waste of the stock-holders' money to begin them. He said that in the Billard suit, now pending, the company expected to realize a large sum. The stockholders applauded Mr.

Directors on Exhibition.

Among the many interesting side-Among the many interesting side-lights at to-day's meeting was the ex-hibiting of eight of its directors. This took place after Hagop Bogiglan, a stockholder, had decared that he was tired of voting for directors that he did not know, and that he wanted to

Elliott. Mr. Bogigian did, and the eight directors present, among them President Hadley, stood up so that the stockholders could get a good look. Bogigian looked them over carefully for a minute, and then ejaculated: "Well, you all look like honest men; I guess I will wate for you."

Walter T. Gardiner, another stockholder, was much perplexed because no dividend was declared. He asserted that the payment of a dividend would put the company in good in the finanput the company in good in the finan-cial district, but Mr. Elliott could not

Magistrate Paul Krotel issued twenty warrants yesterday for the arrest of "colonists" charged with illegal registration. The applications were made by Assistant District Attorney pied by the box company. He was held Weller. The warrants will not be yesterday in \$10,000 bail for the constraint of the property of the stressed first story was instructed to move that the within thirty days.

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J. P. MORGAN IN WITNESS CHAIR.



ELEVEN INDICTED FIGHT HOURS TO SAVE LIFE ON BLAZING SHIP **IN WHISKEY FRAUD**

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District Attorney Emilio Yasselli and Postoffice Inspectors Howard S. Mayhew and William G. Swain, who gathhew and william of Swains de-ered the evidence, the defendants de-ceived their victims by falsely repre-senting that the Seminole and Over-brook were distilling companies. They offered as high grade Bourbon and pure rye a low grade whiskey, to which they had given a fancy name, it is

they had given a fancy name, it is charged.

In mary cases, the indictments charge, the defendants, after getting advances from saloonkeepers and exsaloonkeepers they promised to reestablish in business, failed to deliver any of the liquor ordered. The advances, it is said, were kept as commission by the salesmen who toured the country offering twenty-five barrels of liquor for \$1,000. All time notes given liquor for \$1,000. All time notes given stockholder, had declared that he was tired of voting for directors that he did not know, and that he wanted to see them.

"Come down here in front and I'll show them to you," said Chairman Elliott. Mr. Bogigian did, and the eight directors present, among them President Hadley, stood up so that the

twenty-five barrels, was induced by one of the salesmen, according to the indictment, to put up the additional \$900 balance, although she never had any

Others mentioned as being dupes of the alleged swindle are Frank Hovorka, of 335 East Ninety-third Street, Cleve-land; K. Stabulak, 4518 Laflin Street, Chicago; Mike Yatshof, of Youngstown, Ohio, and J. A. Alberton, of Akron,

The substance of Mr. Morgan's statements was that his company was handling the bonds of the Interborough improvements, and that he wanted no extravagant contracts made or any other negotiations transacted that might minimize or affect in any way the popularity of the bonds.

Asked about the withdrawal of Gardner M. Lane, of Boston, from the directorate of the Interborough, Mr. Morgan said the banker, whose firm in Boston had relations with the Morgan

NO N. H. SUITS

FOR RESTITUTION

The other eight defendants are salesmen now on the road, who, it is understood, will surrender themselves to Marshal McCarthy on their return to the city. Their names are Adolf to the men who refused to desert him, and seven hours after the fire had been discovered all hands were picked to desert him, and seven hours after the fire had been discovered all hands were picked to desert him, and seven hours after the fire had been discovered all hands were picked to desert him, and seven hours after the fire had been discovered all hands were picked to desert him, and seven hours after the fire had been discovered all hands were picked to desert him, and seven hours after the fi

According to Assistant United States | Captain Asleep When Fire Started.

platform in which a declaration is made in favor of immediate home rule, as against independence of the United

Government Holds International

two continents as an unusually clever card player, fell into the clutches of the Federal authorities yesterday. They charge him with violating the Harrison anti-dope law, and say that for some time past his illicit trade in drugs has been at the rate of \$5,000

a month.

Doc, whose parents christened Henry, was arrested in his eight-room apartment, at 617 W. 113th Street, last night, and locked up in the West 125th Street station. This morning he will plead before United States Commis-sioner Houghton, and perhaps explain four bottles of morphine the detectives

say they found in his rooms.

Biegel was last in the limelight in December, when he shouted: "To hell with the Kaiser!" after he had been put the company in good in the cial district, but Mr. Elliott could not see it that way.

A. H. Hiller had a general kick on high salaries, pensions and expenses of directors. Mr. Elliott told him when he could see the amounts paid by the New Haven to its officers and also that the seventeen members of the board had expenses of \$11,410 last year.

The membership in the board of directors was reduced to fifteen, the resignations of Messrs. Brewster and McHarg having been accepted. Before the meeting began Mr. Elliott announced that the management had 920,000 shares to vote, considerably more than a majority.

Twenty Warrants for "Colonists."

Seeks Porto Rican Home Rule.

had agreed to telephone to at least ten persons seeking their support of Cropsey, and ir turn ask-them to do

U. S. NAVY TO BUILD A GIANT AEROPLANE

Will Have Speed of Eighty Miles [From The Tribune Bureau.]

the construction at the Washington Navy Yard of the first aeroplane to be built by the United States government was signed by Secretary Daniels to-day. It will be the largest 'plane in America and considerably larger than the ordinary types in service in Europe. Europe.
With a speed of from fifty to eighty

the new air machine will have a very wide range of usefulness. Two motors of 160 horsepower each will propel it.

Secretary Daniels intends to build several similar aeroplanes at the Pensacola sero station, but the first experiment is being made here, because of the testing facilities offered by the wind tunnel and model basin. The motors will be tested at the new aeronautical motor-testing laboratory here

Seeks Porto Rican Home Rule.

San Juan, Porto Rico, Oct. 27.—The Unionist party of which the leader is H. C. Richardson. Work on the maluis Munoz I. era, Resident Commissioner at Washington, has drafted a pushed as rapidly as possible.

Captain Asleep When Fire Started.

"I was asleep when the fire was discovered," said Captain Congdon. "We had left Charleston some hours before with 6,000 baies of cotton, bound for the men on the Suwance."

OLD DOC BIEGEL IS IN AGAIN

Character as Dealer in Drugs.

Doc Biegel, known to the police of

ejected from the Savoy in London as an alien enemy. Eight days later he proved his American citizenship and was discharged. He reached this coun-

FIGHT BY PHONE FOR CROPSEY

15,000 Union Bank Depositors Begin Campaign to Aid District Attorney.
Depositors of the wrecked Union Bank of Brooklyn began a telephone campaign yesterday for the purpose of having their friends support District Attorney Cropsey for re-election.
The telephoning began at an early hour in the morning and continued throughout the day. It is estimated there are about 15,000 depositors. Each had agreed to telephone to at least ten persons seeking their support of Cropses and is tern each them to define the control of the support of Cropses and is tern each them to define the control of the support of Cropses and is tern each them to define the control of the support of the control of the contr

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held, fifteen minutes before he was

wanted. Mr. Morgan settled down in the witness chair to await the interrogation of Merton E. Lewis, Deputy At-

torney General, who is handling the investigation for the committee. The inquisitor wanted to know what Mr. Morgan knew about the withdrawal

of G. M. Lane and W. A. Read from the

directorate of the Interborough; what he knew of the desire of Theodore P. Shorts to award the contract for third tracking the Third Avenue Elevated Railroad to John F. Stevens, his old friend of Panama Canal days, when Mr. Shonts was chairman of the commission and Mr. Stevens was chief engi-

neer, and what Mr. Morgan thought of the turning down of the Stevens pro-

posed contract and the substitution of a second contract, which was awarded

Questions were asked about a "yel-

low dog fund" which was alleged to have been used in connection with the awarding of the retracking contracts, but Mr. Morgan stated that he knew nothing of it.

The substance of Mr. Morgan's state-

Attributes Loss to Open Valves.

Henry R. Carse, president of the Electric Boat Company, which built the F-4, issued a statement to-night deny-

ing any fault in construction, and at-tributing the loss of the vessel to "open air valves on the forward, middle and

to T. A. Gillespie.

NEW J. S. BACHE INTEREST The Credit Lyonnais is its French con-

The Crédit Lyonnais is its French correspondent.

New York Banker Acquires Control of International Corporation.

Control of the International Banking Corporation, which operates the International Bank at 60 Wall Street and sixteem branches in the Far East, London, Panama and San Francisco, has been acquired by J. S. Bache, of J. S. Bache & Co., bankers and members of the Stock Exchange, with headquarters at 42 Broadway, at \$160 a share. Under the conditions of purchase opportunity is offered to the minority stockholders to sell their stocks at the same price.

Mr. Bache, in confirming the purchase yesterday, announced that he had taken by Mr. Bache, include Charles by State Prank Pranker. The directors, in Banking Corporation. President the City Bank was a party to the deal, while the price paid by Mr. Bache for his stock was 160, the exact amount acquired he declined to divulge. H. T. & Green is president and general manager to the Conditions of purchase opportunity is offered to the minority stockholders to sell their stocks at the same price.

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The impression prevailed in the financial district, despite Mr. Bache at in the proker, and in view of the polley of the polley of the National City Bank in adopted by the National City Bank in establishing foreign branches it was rumored that the institution was the establishing foreign branches it was rumored that this institution was the proker, and in view of the polley of control of the International Banking Corporation. President the city Bank was a party to the deal, while the price paid by Mr. Bache for his stock was 160, the exact amount acquired he declined to divulge. H. T. & Green is president and general manager to the conditions of purchase opportunity is offered to the minority stockholders to sell their stocks at the same price.

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M. Lane's Resignation from Interborough Directorate.

J. P. Morgan appeared yesterday as a witness before the Thompson legislative committee which is investigating the Public Service Commission, but after an hour or so of interrogation contributed little or nothing in the way of important evidence.

Mr. Morgan was on time as usual, appearing at the rooms of the New York County Lawyers' Association, at 165 Broadway, where the inquiry is being held, fifteen minutes before he was wanted. Mr. Morgan settled down in

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